# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3158
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CULTIVATION OF SPICES
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) the total area under cultivation of spices in Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(b) the number of farmers benefited therefrom;

(c) whether there is any arrangement for bringing produces from this plantation area to the market;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The total area under cultivation of spices in Andaman & Nicobar Islands is reported to be 1200 ha.

(b): The number of farmers benefited from spices cultivation is approximately 4000.

(c)to(e): In the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, producers themselvescollect and market the produces. There is no specific arrangement for bringing produces from plantations area. No regulated market and market infrastructure are available specific to spices.